

TITLE: Tie-down For A Beach Umbrella

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

5 RELATED APPLICATIONS: This is a continuation-in-part application of a prior filed and currently pending application having serial number 10/330,524 and file date of 12/26/02, <sup>now abandoned.</sup>

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Applicant(s) hereby incorporate herein by reference, any and all U. S. patents, U.S. patent applications, and other documents and printed matter  
10 cited or referred to in this application.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION:

This invention relates generally to restraint systems; particularly of the guy-wire type, and  
15 more particularly to a restraint for use in securing a beach umbrella in place.

DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART:

The following art defines the present state of this field:

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Maul et al., U.S. 245,580 describes a parasol attachment consisting of the two strands or cords connected to the parasol, and combined with the slide, through which the cords or strands are passed, and in which they are crossed.

25 Barcus, U.S. 1,150,731 describes a parasol having a cover on which stars are indicated relatively to a position on the cover which serves to indicate Polaris, and a stick for the parasol having an end secured to the cover at the said position, by which the said parasol may be pointed as desired and may be rotated with the stick as its axis.